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SUBJECT: MIRV LAUNCHER DISTINGUISHABILITY

(SALT TWO-1683)

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1. IN IMPLEMENTING GUIDANCE (REFTEL), DELEGATION BELIEVES MEANING OF TERM "MODIFIED" WHEN REFERRING TO CHANGES IN ICBM LAUNCHERS AFTER ENTRY INTO FORCE OF TREATY SHOULD BE EXPLAINED. OTHERWISE "MODIFIED" COULD BE INTERPRETED TO MEAN THAT ANY MINOR CHANGE TO A LAUNCHER, EVEN AN INTERNAL ALTERATION, COULD REQUIRE A SIDE TO MAKE MAJOR CHANGES IN EXTERNALLY OBSERVABLE DESIGN FEATURES.

2. TO AVOID SUCH AN INTERPRETATION, DELEGATION, IN TABLING AT EARLY PLENARY COMMON UNDERSTANDING PER REFTEL, INTENDS, UNLESS INSTRUCTED TO CONTRARY, TO EXPLAIN THAT TERM "MODIFIED" REFERS TO "SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO PRINCIPAL OBSERVABLE STRUCTURAL DESIGN FEATURES TO LAUNCHERS." EARLE

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